

Undergraduate Courses offered by Centre of Buddhist Studies in 2011-2012

ELECTIVES / INTER-FACULTY ELECTIVES

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BSTC2002 Life and Buddhism(6 Credits)

Course Description

Buddhism is an ancient eastern religion that entirely focuses on the analysis of human life and offers its unique ways to solve life's problems and achieve happiness. Just as the Buddha said, he taught two things: suffering and the cessation of suffering. In this course, we will examine the Buddhist analysis of and attitude towards life based on its fundamental teachings, and investigate how this ancient wisdom offers us ways to solve problems in our daily life and achieve happiness.

Offering Semester	1 st Semester
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Day of the week	Every Tuesday
Time	15:00 – 16:55
Assessment	100% coursework
Class Venue	Rm 230, Knowles Building

Objectives

Students are expected to obtain a basic understanding of Buddhist values and attitudes towards life and the Buddhist ways to achieve happiness in life.

Assessment ratio

Students are required to read the relevant papers before coming to the lecture so that they can participate in our lively discussion. The final examination is based on one essay, one presentation and lecture participation.

- (i) 60 % short essay with 2,500-3,000 words
- (ii) 25 % presentation. Each student has five to six minutes
- (iii) 15 % lecture and tutorial attendance

Criteria for marking essay:

1. Good and correct understanding of the Buddhist teaching given in the lectures,

2. Clear, logical and rational presentation of your ideas and thoughts,
3. Show that you have read at least five papers in your essay either in your footnotes or endnotes and list them at the end.

Course Outline (tentative)

Lecture 01

Topic: The Buddhist attitude toward life

Discussion Topics: Buddhist attitude towards life

Reading: Rahula's *What the Buddha Taught*: chapters 1

Lecture 02

Topic: The historical Buddha: a personality analysis

Discussion Topics: The Buddha's life

Reading: Laumakis, chapter 1 of *Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy*. Piyadassi Thera's *The Buddha: His Life and Teaching*.

Lecture 03

Topic: Buddhist analysis of life:

Discussion Topics: five aggregates, four nutriments, three characteristics of individual existence.

Reading: Laumakis, chapter 8 of *Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy*. Nyanaponika Thera, *The Three Basic Facts of Existence: I. Impermanence (Anicca)* Collected essays. *The Wheel* Publication No. 186/187.

Lecture 04

Topic: Life without a permanent soul: Buddhist teaching of non-self

Discussion Topics: theory of dependent origination, non-soul theory.

Reading: Wijesekera, *The Three Signata: Anicca, Dukkha, Anatta*. Rahula's *What the Buddha Taught*: chapters 3.

Lecture 05

Topic: Buddhist analysis of human behaviours and their consequences:

Discussion Topics: karma and rebirth

Reading: Laumakis, chapter 5 of *Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy*. Nyanaponika, *Kamma and its Fruit: Selected Essays*.

Lecture 06

Topic: Buddhist analysis of human predicament

Discussion Topics: twelve factors of dependent origination,

Reading: Karunadasa, Y. "The problem of suffering: The Buddhist diagnosis of the Human predicament".

Lecture 07

Topic: Buddhist concepts of happiness:

Discussion Topics: *nirvana* -- nibbana parama sukha

Reading: Laumakis, chapter 8 of *Introduction to Buddhist Philosophy*. Lily De Silva, *Nibbana As Living Experience*. Wheel No. 407/408, Buddhist Publication Society, 1996.

Lecture 08

Topic: Buddhist ways to achieve happiness: (I)

Discussion Topics: the noble eightfold path

Reading: Bodhi, *The Noble Eightfold Path, The Way to the End of Suffering*.

Lecture 09

Topic: Buddhist ways to achieve happiness: (II)

Discussion Topics: Buddhist meditation

Reading: Nyanaponika, *The Power of Mindfulness*.

Lecture 10

Topic: Buddhist values:

Discussion Topics: five precepts and the four sublime states

Reading: Buddharakkhita. *Metta: The Philosophy and Practice of Universal Love*.

Lecture 11

Topic: Buddhist Ethics:

Discussion Topics: criteria for judging good and bad,

Reading: Peter Harvey, "Criteria for Judging the Unwholesomeness of Actions in the Texts of Theravaada Buddhism." *Journal of Buddhist Ethics*, Volume 2 1995.

Lecture 12

Topic: Buddhist attitude to death:

Discussion Topics: Death, abortion and organ donation.

Reading: Gunaratna, *Buddhist Reflections on Death*. The Wheel Publication No.

102/103, 1982 Buddhist Publication Society.

Suggested Essay topics

1. What is Buddhist attitude towards life?
2. Describe some important features of the Buddha's personality.
3. What is the Buddhist analysis of human life?
4. No soul or *Anatta* is a characteristic of Buddhism. Discuss.
5. "Buddhism is pessimistic" Discuss in the light of Buddhist Teaching of suffering.
6. Why Buddhism starts with *Dukkha* or suffering?
7. Discuss the Buddhist concept of Happiness.
8. "Buddhism teaches annihilation." Discuss in the light of Buddhist concept of *Nirvana*.
9. Why the noble eightfold path is described as transcending the two extremes of austerities and sensual indulgence?
10. Discuss the Buddhist way of life in the light of noble eightfold path.
11. How the Buddhist meditation related to a better life?
12. Discuss the importance of mindfulness in our life.
13. Discuss the Buddhist attitude towards death.
14. Buddhism is rational. Discuss.

You may choose your own essay topic provided it relates to the course.

Required Reading

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Further Reading

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Reference and Internet Resources

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A Dictionary of Chinese Buddhist Terms. Edited by William Edward Soothill and Lewis Hodous. You can download for free from <http://www.hm.tyg.jp/~acmuller/soothill/>

A Dictionary Buddhism, eds., Damien Keown. This *Dictionary* needs subscription, so use it through HKU Electronic Recourses.

Buddhist Dictionary: Manual of Buddhist Terms and Doctrines, edited by Nyanatiloka. Free. You can either download it from http://www.palikanon.com/english/wtb/dic_idx.html

Pali-English Dictionary edited by T W Rhys Davids and William Stede. Free. This is the Pali Text Society's edition. You can check online at <http://dsal.uchicago.edu/dictionaries/pali/>

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Sanskrit-English Dictionary edited by Monier Williams. Free. This is the largest dictionary for Sanskrit studies at the moment. You can check online at <http://students.washington.edu/prem/mw/mw.html>

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Stanford Encyclopaedia of Philosophy. Free, it contains a large number of papers in Buddhist and Confucian studies. <http://plato.stanford.edu/>

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3) Journals

Journal of Buddhist Ethics. Free. This is a web based academic journal for free distribution. Web address: <http://www.jbe.gold.ac.uk/>

Journal of Global Buddhism. Free. This is a web based academic journal for free distribution. <http://www.globalbuddhism.org/dig.html>

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Buddhist Publication Society. Free. This is an organization in Sri Lanka devoted to the publication of Theravada Buddhist Books and some of them are for free distribution. So you can download them for your own use. The *Wheel Publication Series* and *Bodhi Leaf Series* are scholarly studies of Theravada Buddhism. <http://www.bps.lk/>

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The Pali Tipitaka. The entire Pali Buddhist Scripture is free for download and reading from this website: <http://www.tipitaka.org/romn/>

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